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**TIME'S UP TO-MORROW.**  
WE "CALL" THE BLUFFER.  
[From The Evening World, March 6.]

The following cheerful announcement has stood for a long time at the head of the editorial column of an esteemed evening contemporary:

The circulation of the EVENING SUN is larger than that of any other evening paper in the United States.

This modest claim has long served as a solace to a naturally perturbed editorial mind and to a narrow circle of admirers of fiction.

But even the fascinating game of journalistic bluff has its disadvantages.

THE EVENING WORLD hereby agrees to pay \$2,000 in cash to the Press Club's charity fund if, upon thorough examination, its bona fide circulation is not found to be every day in the week at least 95 per cent. larger than that of the "Evening Sun"—three prominent advertisers to be the judges.

Now, "show hands" or stop your bluffing. If this commendable offer is not accepted within ten days we shall increase the percentage.

#### THE NATURE OF THE OPPOSITION.

The opposition to THE EVENING WORLD'S Children's bill, giving the right of appeal from a magisterial commitment, is bureaucratic. The opposing forces are lead, strange as it may seem, by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, and more especially by Mr. ELKINDS T. GERRY in that Society. Yet there is good reason for believing that an intelligent minority in that Society favor the principle of appeal, the fundamental law of fair play, on which the bill is based.

What are the chief reasons on which the bureaucratic opposition is put forward?

Simply this: The passage of this bill would, Mr. GERRY asserts, give the Society more trouble and more expense. Naturally he exaggerates both in his frantic protests. But what appeal is there from legal proceedings, what remedy is there from legal wrong which is not attended by some trouble and some expense? If a defendant be mulcted by an unjust judgment it will give him a good deal of trouble to appeal from it. But he won't forego his remedy for that reason.

If a man on trial for his life be unjustly and illegally convicted it may begeth his estate to carry the sentence up to a court which will give him justice. But he won't hesitate on that account.

The fact that some expense will necessarily accompany an appeal will tend to restrict appeals to deserving cases. If poor parents can stand their share of the inevitable expense on such a score, Mr. GERRY's rich Society ought not to complain.

But, be it noted, the very fact that an appeal is permitted will tend to make Mr. GERRY's Society more discriminating and more just in its dealings.

This argument of expense is practically the only one made, and the logical result of such a line of reasoning would abolish the higher courts entirely.

Come, Mr. GERRY, do the handsome thing and acquiesce gracefully in this necessary reform!

#### THE CITY OF DESTINY.

The finger-posts of public and private enterprise alike point to the irresistible destiny of New York. "The future great city of the world."

Every plan for rapid transit, whatever its intrinsic merits or demerits, has in view the development of and around Manhattan Island and of the supreme metropolis of the twentieth century.

Every scheme for increasing the metropolitan area, planting and opening new parks, laying out new highways, cutting new channels of navigation, however short-sighted the immediate aims of their projectors, point irresistibly to the goal of Gotham: the absorption of the imperial prerogatives of the municipalities of the earth.

Oh, yes, we are the city of destiny.

#### WORLDLINGS.

Congressman Buckalew, of Pennsylvania, is fond of botany and has a wide and accurate knowledge of that branch of natural history. He is also noted for conversational powers.

Miss Emma Abbott, the prima donna, is said to go to church as regularly as she goes to work on the stage. She attends no particular church, but jumps into her carriage and tells the driver to take her to the nearest one.

Probably the most retiring of the ladies of the Cabinet is Mrs. Wamsutter, who is noted for her modesty. She was a Miss Mary Brown, of Philadelphia, and is a very handsome woman. Outside of her church duties she cares for very little except her home and a small circle of friends.

Desman Thompson, the actor, is fifty-six years old. He has been on the stage since 1850, when he was engaged as a "tapper" at the Howards Athenaeum, in Boston.

MOORE'S TERTIARY CORRELATION relieves children while teaching. Price 50 cents. Sold everywhere.

## FUTURE NEW YORK.

Assemblyman Crosby's Bill to Increase the City's Limits.

Views of Some Prominent People on the Question.

Lawyer De Witt Wants Boroughs Established, as in London.

The following bill, introduced by Assemblyman Ernest H. Crosby, providing for the further increase of the area of the city of New York, will, if passed, enlarge the territory of this city at least five times as much as it now contains, and will increase the population nearly one-half as much as at present.

Reference to the appended map will give a good idea of the amount of land under consideration.

AN ACT TO CREATE A COMMISSION TO INQUIRE INTO THE EXPEDIENCY OF ENLARGING THE AREA OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

SECTION 1. Andrew H. Green, J. S. T. Stran-

than, Frederick W. Devoe, Calvert Vaux, John Ford, the State Engineer and Surveyor, and the person to be designated by each of the following named authorities when designated, to wit, the Mayor of New York, the Mayor of Brooklyn, the Board of Supervisors of Queens, Kings and Richmond counties respectively, are hereby appointed Commissioners to inquire into the expediency of enlarging the area of the city of New York by including within its limits territory or neighboring territory, and to report from time to time their conclusions thereon to the Legislature, with such recommendations as they may deem proper for adoption and their reasons therefor. Any vacancies occurring in the number of the Commissioners appointed by the Legislature, or in the number of the Commissioners appointed by the Mayor of New York, or in the number of the Commissioners appointed by the Board of Supervisors of Queens, Kings and Richmond counties respectively, shall be filled by the authority by whom the original appointment was made.

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## THE DEACON'S SALINE STRATAGEM.

(WRITTEN BY THE EVENING WORLD STAFF.)

The "spink-spunk-spink" of the noisy bobolink.

Was sounding on the meadows in the early morning air.

And the grasses wet with dew, bent above the violets blue.

As to breathe their fragrance and kiss their faces fair.

The blossom white and dapple from the pear tree and the apple.

Came floating softly downward, like fragrant flakes of snow.

And like sweet trumpet ringing the meadow lark was singing.

A watchful herald welcoming the morning's rosy glow.

Upon the fence between the waving meadows green.

From either side was leaning two mowers brown and strong.

The one with manhood's morning his sturdy frame adorning.

The other old but vigorous, and tough as leathern thong.

The last was Deacon Tabor, the other his near neighbor.

An honest, manly fellow was young Elijah Dean.

He loved the Deacon's daughter, for this alone he sought her.

To him she seemed the sweetest girl the world had ever seen.